



State of Missouri

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, the second new moon after the winter solstice marks the beginning of the new year according to the lunar calendar, and has been determined to occur on Friday, February 12, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Lunar New Year is the most celebrated Asian festival in the world; and

WHEREAS, nearly 160,000 Missouri residents identify as being of Asian descent; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Missouri, including those in the Asian community, share common values including the importance of family, a desire to see our children succeed and honesty in dealing with others; and

WHEREAS, by recognizing and celebrating these common values, Lunar New Year affords us an opportunity to showcase the rich diversity and talents of people across this great state, to foster greater relationships and a greater understanding; and

WHEREAS, we are grateful to numerous volunteers dedicated to sharing Lunar New Year festivals across the state making Missouri a great state to live, work and raise a family; and

WHEREAS, during this Year of the Ox, exemplifying hard work and honesty, we wish you good health, great happiness and much prosperity.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Michael L. Parson, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby recognize

LUNAR NEW YEAR

and send best wishes to all in the coming year.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 19th day of January, 2021.



Michael L. Parson
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE